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**Des Moines, IA**  
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**Beef**

IMPS#	Description	Wts	Lbs/Lds	Avg	Change Prv/wk
Boxed Beef Cuts, Select 1-3					
113A	Chuck, 2-pc	72-119 Lb	28011	143.97	-1.64
115	Chuck, 2-pc bnls	50-80 Lbs	70883	148.44	-2.28
116A	Chuck Roll, n/o 1x1	13-25 Lbs	738232	166.97	0.30
120	Brisket	6-14 Lbs	575578	140.88	0.78
123A	Short Rib	1-4 Lbs	4008	357.29	36.04
160	Round, Bn-in	50-85 Lbs	86394	140.62	-0.40
161	Round, Bnls	42-80 Lbs	358599	156.02	4.39
168	Inside Round	14-26 Lbs	497558	153.68	-3.54
170	Gooseneck Round	18-33 Lbs	26531	147.28	-1.18
	Coarse ground Blend 81%		730712	134.34	3.05
	Coarse ground Blend 85%		41189	140.44	0.48
Cow Cuts/Boneless Processing Items					
	Boneless Chuck 85%			126.94	1.94
	Top Inside Round	12-16 Lbs		157.01	1.13
Boneless Processing Beef/Beef Trimmings, Fresh					
	90% Chemical Lean	2726497		126.72	5.16
	50% Chemical Lean	2651267		51.65	-12.76



**Pork**



Pork Loins, Fresh 1/4" Trim	21 Lbs/dn	10.0	95.20	-1.60
Boston Butt, Fresh 1/4" Trim	5-10 Lbs	36.0	59.01	2.42
Spareribs, Fresh	4.25 Lbs/	0.5	121.00	--
Ham, Bone-in, Trmd TS 1	17-20 Lbs	0.0	0.00	--
Ham, Bone-in, Trmd TS 1	20-23 Lbs	30.5	39.84	1.55
Belly, Sdls, Skin-on, Trmd	14-16 Lbs	0.0	0.00	--
Belly, Sdls, Skin-on, Trmd	16-18 Lbs	5.0	78.00	1.00
Boneless Picnic Meat, Fresh				
72% Chemical Lean		0.0	0.00	--

Dollars per Hundredweight - Equated to FOB Omaha Basis



**Dairy Market News**  
**Madison, WI**  
**608.224.5080**

**Butter**

Bulk butter, f.o.b. producing plant, national price range, truckload quantities

This Week	Last Week
1.2600-1.3700	1.3550-1.4650

**American Cheese**

Process cheese, 5-pound loaf, national price range, dollars per pound

This Week	Last Week
1.4225-1.8100	1.4175-1.8100

**Fluid Milk = Basic Formula Price - 19-Dec-03**

Basic price used to set Class I prices, dollars per gallon, January

Price Level	Change from Prv/Month	Change from Prv/Year
1.0189	-0.1711	+0.1109



**Poultry Market News**  
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**Broiler/Fryers**

Whole Grade A, Ready-to-Cook, Ice-packed, Per Pound, Delivered  
New York 60.91 Chicago 58.67 Los Angeles 72.04

**Parts Bulk**

Ready-to-Cook, Ice-packed, Per Pound  
Northeast (Delivered) Breast B/S 147.15 Leg Quarters 29.75  
Southern States (FOB) Breast B/S 135.55 Leg Quarters 25.56

**Young Turkeys**

Grade A, Ready-to-Cook, Frozen, Per Lb., Delivered  
Hens 8-16 Lbs Toms 16-24 Lbs  
Eastern 64.50 58.50  
Central 63.50 57.50  
Western 65.00 59.00

**Table Eggs**

Large, USDA Grade A, White, In Cartons, In Volume, Cents Per Dozen  
Northeast 96.00 Metropolitan Areas  
Southeast 96.50 New York 101.00-105.00  
Midwest 89.50 Chicago 91.00-96.00  
S. Central 97.50 S. California 112.00-115.00

**Egg Products**

Liquid, Non-pasteurized, Trucklot Volume, FOB, Per Pound  
Whole 56.00 Whites 63.00-64.00 Yolks 59.00-64.00  
Frozen, 30Lb Containers, Wholesale per Lb  
Whole Eggs Whites  
Eastern (Less Than Trucklot) 80.00-89.00 80.00-85.00  
Central 72.00-75.00 75.00-78.00  
S. Calif. (Less Than Trucklot) 79.00-82.00 80.00-83.00  
Dried, Wholesale Prices, Dollars Per Pound, In Container (Range)  
Whole 2.99-3.50 Yolks 1.75-2.30 Blends 2.00-2.40



**Fruit & Vegetable Market News**  
**Washington, DC**  
**202.720.2745**

**Fruits**

Apples, Red Delicious, WA ExFcy, Regular Storage, 100s Containers  
TrayPack, Yakima Valley & Wenatchee District, WA 14.50  
Pears, Bartlett, U.S. One, 44 lb cartons CA Storage, 100s, Yakima Valley  
& Wenatchee District, WA 14.00  
Strawberries, flats 12 1-pint baskets, medium-large, Central FL 20.90  
Oranges, Navel, Shippers 1<sup>st</sup> grade, cartons 113s ctns, Central &  
Southern CA & AZ 8.00  
Grapefruit, Marked Rio Star, 7/10 bushel cartons, 36s, Lower Rio Grande  
Valley, TX 7.88  
Clementines, 2.3 kilogram, 24s Spain Imports through New Jersey and  
Delaware Ports 3.13

**Vegetables**

Broccoli, Bunched 14s Cartons, Salinas-Watsonville, CA 9.60  
Carrots, Medium-Large Sks 48 1-lb filmbags, Kern District, CA 10.85  
Celery, 2 1/2 doz ctns, South District, CA 10.98  
Lettuce, Iceberg, 24S, Cartons, Central & Western, AZ 6.13  
Imperial Valley, CA 5.73  
Peppers, Bell Type, Green; 1 1/9 bucrs/crates, large, Central & South FL 10.43  
Tomatoes, Mature Greens, 85% U.S. One or better, 25 lb. Cartons, 6x6s,  
Central & South FL 8.70  
Onions, Yellow Spanish Hybrid, U.S. One, Jumbo, 50 lb sacks, Sacks, ID  
& OR 7.87  
Potatoes, Russet Burbank, some Norkotah, U.S. One, 50lb ctns, 70s,  
Upper Valley, Twin Falls, Burley District & Western ID 8.25

**Simple Average of Weekending Prices of Stated Grades or Stock of  
Generally Good Merchantable Quality and Condition. Prices FOB Shipping  
Point Basis. Dollars per Unit.**